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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): K. KODAMA et al.

Serial No. : 09/448,055

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For : METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING
A DATABASE FOR MANAGING
MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING
INFORMATION, RECORDING
MEDIUM RECORDING PROGRAM
THEREOF, AND SYSTEM
THEREFOR

Art Unit : 2167

Examiner : S. McAllister

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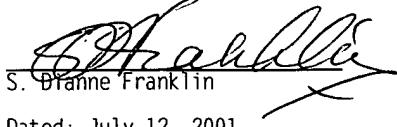
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2001, the term for response to which expires on August 21, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-14, and 15, without prejudice, and substitute amended claims 2-6 and 13 as follows:

2. (Amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein all of the products of the series product have common specifications.

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